

## CLAIMS

1. A numnah (1, 2) for interposition between a saddle and an animal (3) to be ridden, the numnah (1, 2) comprising a first layer (4) that constitutes a base layer (4) of polymer foam with an open cell structure and a second layer (5) in the form of a  
5 cover fabric (5) with an open structure intended to be applied against the back of the animal (3) being ridden, c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the base layer (4) substantially consists of a polyurethane foam and at least 50% recycled polyurethane foam, that it has an Asker type C hardness in the range of 10 – 35, in that the numnah has a thickness in the range of 2 – 20 mm and a water absorption capacity of at least  
10 300% of its own weight and preferably at least 320% of its own weight.
2. A numnah (1, 2) according to claim 1, c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the base layer (4) has a water absorption capacity of at least 500% of its own weight.
- 15 3. A numnah (1, 2) according to claim 1 or claim 2, c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the base layer (4) contains activated carbon.
4. A numnah (1, 2) according to any of claims 1 – 3, c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the base layer (4) has an air permeability of 150 – 300 l/m<sup>2</sup>sec.  
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5. A numnah (1, 2) according to any of claims 1 – 4, c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the numnah (1, 2) has an edge (6) and in that at least a part of the edge (6) is curved inwards.
- 25 6. A numnah (1, 2) according to any of claims 1 – 5, c h a r a c t e r i s e d in that the base layer consists of a Poliyou® foam.